

WITH THE REVIVALISTS SUNDAY

GOD'S INVITATION IS OPEN TO ALL

Gospel Makes All Men Brothers Says Rev. Decker at First Baptist.

"The gospel makes all men brothers," said Rev. C. A. Decker in his sermon on "Whosoever Will, Let Him Come," at the First Baptist church Sunday night. It was the Baptist Young People's union night at the church and the members of the society had charge of a 20-minute service before the sermon. A chorus, led by Mrs. J. A. Rode, assisted by the quartet, furnished the music.

"All men are brothers, regardless of race or condition of life," said Rev. Decker. "No matter who it is, the invitation during this revival or at any other time, to join God is open to everyone. Jesus is broader than His contemporaries and in His teachings He speaks a universal gospel. Christ's message to the world is to go out and preach the gospel."

Has Put No Barrier.
"God does not have control of the whole world, and any man who may be saved. Nothing has been established on God's earth which will keep a man from God if he wants to get into relationship with the Father. God has not put any barrier between Himself and man."

"This whole business of salvation is to be fought out by man's will. If a decision for Christ is ever made, it is fought out in the realm of the will of man. Any religion that gets into a man's life comes at a time when he is ready to walk with God. Conversion that comes of fear is not lasting, but must come when a man will say to God 'I will come.'"

"A Real Religious Awakening" was the pastor's sermon at the morning services. "There are revivals," he said, "that are not real awakenings. No real good comes from them. The unreal revival is like a January thaw, but a true revival is like the awakening of the flowers in the spring. One of the marks of a real revival is that it breaks the bonds of sin and makes a man stand as a new creature in Christ Jesus, not for awhile only, but for all time."

Brings Unity.
"A real revival of religion is the spirit of God rippling the hearts of men and delivering them from sin. Another mark of the true awakening is that it brings unity between individuals and the church membership and brings about a fellowship of all forces. A true revival will make men good. Conversion is not enough, but with it must come a change in man's whole life."

"Unless conversion makes a com-

CHURCH REVIVAL NOW UNDER WAY

A religious campaign that promises to bring a religious awakening to South Bend and Mishawaka is now under way. At least eight "hit the saw-dust trail" on the first day. Special services began yesterday in 24 South Bend and six Mishawaka churches and will continue for at least three weeks, several of the pastors in their sermons last night announcing that the revivals in their church would keep up as long as it was thought beneficial.

WORKERS WANTED TO HELP CHRIST
Each Man Should Do His Part in Making Revival a Success.

"We preach too much of the God of love," said Rev. William Lampin in his sermon on "The Church and Its Mission," last evening at the revival service held in the First Church of the Brethren, "but God is a God of law and justice. Men think that God is only the God of love, and so are satisfied with themselves. But if they could see themselves, as they are in the sight of God, they would come to him in repentance for their sins. He said in part:

"When a man sees what he really is, and desires to come to Christ, he is converted. It doesn't take three or six months to be converted. Conversion is instantaneous. When individuals realize their importance, they will do more for the church than they do now. They pray for a great revival, but remain inactive. Now is the time of revival. If each individual would seek to bring to Christ one lost soul, then in a short time one-half the world would belong to Christ."

"In a day a new kingdom would be made for God, for each man would convert his unbelieving neighbor, and Christ would come into his own. It requires no particular training to be able to save men for Christ—I'm tired of hearing people say that they have not the proper training for gaining souls."

"God wants willing workers. He has not left soul-winning to the preachers alone. They have been trying to save souls for nineteen hundred years, and have gained but a few. They are a sorry set for that work. The individual is the man of importance. It is he who will win the world for Christ."

Rev. Mr. Lampin, who was called from Polo, Illinois, to assist at the revival services, will speak during the week upon the subjects of "Prayer," "Atonement," "The Way of Salvation," and "The Ethics of Conversion," and will extend an invitation to come forward at the end of the week, when he will preach on the "Gracious Invitation."

DENIES THERE ARE TWO ORDERS OF RELATION

"Men have allowed their consciences to be dragged to such an extent that they believe there are two orders of relations, one with God and with their fellowmen," declared Rev. A. H. Kenna, pastor of the Epworth Memorial church in the opening revival services last night.

The keynote in the whole campaign is the assistance of the laymen. Special emphasis was placed on this angle by all the ministers in their sermons last night. They stated that the minister alone could do but little.

Want Laymen To Help.
He can address the crowds and tell them of Christ's teachings. He can aid the people who seek Christ, but he cannot find these people who are inclined to listen to the word of God.

These people, it was pointed out, are on the verge. They think they are ready to attend services, but they are awaiting the word from some representative of Christ. It is up to some member of the church to push them forward—to extend the invitation.

Need Only Suggestion.
Then there are others who can be persuaded to attend the services. According to the ministers, these people may think they do not want to attend, and while they may not be willing to listen at first, a timely suggestion may send them to church.

The members of the congregation were urged to leave no stone unturned to make the campaign a success. It was pointed out that the meetings are being well advertised and everybody in the two cities should be acquainted in some manner with the services now in progress.

REV. BYRER SPEAKS ON "CHRISTIAN OBLIGATION"

"Christian Obligation" was the general theme of the Rev. G. F. Byrer of the United Brethren church, Sunday evening at the opening services of the three weeks' simultaneous revival.

Rev. Byrer's topic was divided into a discussion of the spirit of trust, loyalty, love, separation from the world, contentment, obedience, hope and of expectation.

Rev. Byrer said: "People are judged by what they do tomorrow and not by the Christianity of the

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"They think that they must be particular with their relationship with God but not so particular in their relationships with their fellowmen. However, if we acknowledge the brotherhood of man," The speaker then continued to show to what extent this misconception was responsible for the present disorganization of society.

"Keeping faith with God" was the topic of the sermon and Rev. Kenna spoke at length on the three-fold aspect of this subject; namely the relationship with neighbors, with ourselves, and directly with God.

"The divine order is the all-embracing one," asserted the speaker. "Because this is true if a man is to keep his faith with God he must keep faith with himself." That man's own consciousness and his self-respect and not the eye of the world and public opinion are the true criterion of morality was the conclusion of the sermon.

tion the Rev. Kenna drew "from the above theses. 'If your inner conscience cannot approve, you are not keeping your faith with yourself and you are not keeping your faith with God.'"

"What would happen to the world, if tonight there were taken out of the world the men and women who are keeping their faith with God and with their fellowmen and with themselves?" asked the preacher and in answer he spoke of the awful consequences that must follow.

SAYS MANY DO NOT BELIEVE IN A DEVIL

"Pray that this town will be shaken. Pray that all the country around here will be shaken by these services. Pray that this house will receive many new Christians."

Rev. Walter C. Morris, pastor of the Wesleyan M. E. church in these

words, exhorted his parishoners to work for the success of the city-wide revival services in his sermon Sunday night.

"There will be meetings here every night for an indefinite time. There is no limit. The services will continue as long as may be fit," he continued.

Rev. Morris declared that there are many people in the world who do not believe that there is a devil, a personal devil. He declared that the reason they believe in this way is because they have never come in contact with him. He chose as the text for his sermon, Acts 25 from St. Paul.

"Many people in the world are in darkness," he said. "Many of them want to see light, but they don't know how to find it. Here is the way to find the light, in this candle, the Bible."

"If you are in sin, it is your own fault, because you are free. God

set you free when he died on dark Calvary."

Rev. Morris announced that these would be a business meeting immediately after the sermon Monday night. The services will start nightly at 7:30 o'clock.

ELDER OF ELKHART IS SPEAKER AT MIZPAH

Rev. S. H. Baumgartner of Naperville, Ill., presiding elder of the Elkhart district, was the speaker at the opening services last night at the Mizpah Evangelical church. His subject was "The Coming of Christ's Kingdom."

The morning service Sunday was conducted by Rev. J. O. Morier, who preached on "The Humility of Christ." Vocal selections by Mrs. Pearl Whitmer and Miss Bernice Rhinehart were a feature of the morning exercises.

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Pre-Inventory Sale of

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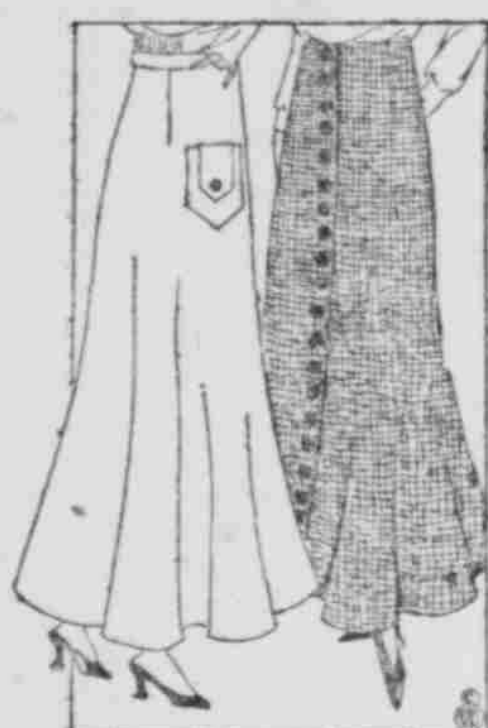
continue this week, offering money saving opportunities in Quality First Sheets and Cases.

Important Clearance Prices—Pre-Inventory Sale Prices

The last week in January will echo the greatest selling month in the history of our store—extensive selling a factor in our deciding that profit shall be of minor consideration in the clearing, previous to our annual inventory. The daily papers this week you should watch carefully for our announcements of the money saving opportunities we are offering.

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Our January Sale of Suiting Silks

Fashion says: Silks for Suits will be much demanded this season. Silks are advancing, especially greens and navy will be scarce. We therefore advise early selection.



Hundreds of pieces of New Silks have arrived the past week—Silks for Suits, Dresses or Petticoats—and the prices offered here mean great savings.

40 in. Satin Suiting Silks at **\$1.95 yd.**, in Emerald, navy and black.

40 in. Taffeta Silks for Suits at **\$1.50 yd.**

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36 in. Silk Faille at **\$1.50 yd.**

36 in. Gros De Londre, all colors, **\$1.50 yd.**

36 in. Chiffon Taffetas, black and colors, **\$1.00 yd.** This item is regularly sold at \$1.25.

36 in. Chiffon Taffeta, black only, at **89c yd.**

27 in. Satin Messaline, all shades, at **89c yd.**

36 in. Wash Satins—Special this sale, **\$1.25.**

36 in. Wash Taffetas, all shades, at **\$1.75.**

36 in. Silk Poplins, all colors, at **69c.**

40 in. All Silk Crepe de Chine at **\$1.15 yd.** In all desirable colors, extra quality.

100 pieces Silk Stripe Shirting Silks, **50c yd.**

Pictorial Review Patterns for February now on sale at the Pattern Dept.

Our January

Pre-Inventory Sales

has revealed more opportunities for advantageously purchasing supplies of household **Linens, Towels and Toweling.** Although prices have advanced rapidly we are selling at the same low prices of a year ago, and in many items lower.

58 inch Mercerized Damask, great value at 25c yd.

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2,000 yds. Pure Linen Absorbent Crash, unbleached, 12 1/2c.

1,000 yds. Bleached All Linen Crash, red border, 15c yd.

19x38 Pure Linen Huck Towels, hemmed or hemstitched, 25c.

25c and 29c Full Bleached Turkish Towels, extra large size, 19c.

Greatest January Sales We Ever Recorded

The Domestic Section has reported the greatest January sales ever recorded. Last week started the occasion of our showing for the first time the new printings and cotton goods creations produced for 1916.

We are showing several hundred more pieces that came in Saturday.



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33 in. 19c Ginghams at 12c yd.

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36 in. Agatha Percales at 12 1/2c. All colors, light and dark.

36 in. 15c Skirtings at 10c. New Scotch squares and stripes.

36 in. Lenox Madras at 15c.

Our Greatest Sale of Muslin Sheetings continues all week

2 1/4 yd. Pepperell at 25c yd.

2 1/4 Unbleached Sheetings at 22c yd.

2 1/4 Pequot, Dwight, Anchor and Colonial Sheetings at 30c yd.

36 in. Bleached Muslin at 7c yd.

36 in. Quality First Muslin at 8c yd.

36 in. Hill's Bleached at 8c yd.

48 in. 15c Unbleached at 10c yd.

PILLOW CASINGS

Hill's 42 inch Bleached at **12 1/2c yd.**

Hill's 45 inch Bleached at **15c yd.**

Colonial 45 inch Bleached at **19c yd.**

Quo Vadis?

